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Car fire aboard ferry cancels three sailings

QUEEN OF VANCOUVER A car caught on fire while aboard the Queen of Vancouver yesterday afternoon, B.C. Ferries announced.

Two workers were treated for smoke inhalation and the docked vessel was evacuated while crews put out the fire. Only the one car was damaged.

The fire was noticed just before the ferry made its scheduled sailing to Swartz Bay from the Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal.

Three sailings were cancelled affecting hundreds of passengers.

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Countdown **Year of the Ox**

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Members of the Vancouver Korean Dance Society perform during the Lunar New Year countdown at the Aberdeen Centre in Richmond last night. The Year of the Ox began at midnight.

Pattullo to reopen this morning

Repair far ahead of estimates

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The fire-damaged Pattullo Bridge will reopen in time for this morning's rush-hour commute — three weeks ahead of TransLink's initial speculation and a week ahead of its most recent estimate.

The repaired Pattullo, which handles 80,000 vehicle trips daily, is expected to open at 6 a.m. and significantly ease the commuter congestion on SkyTrain as well as the Port Mann and Alex Fraser bridges.

"Taking advantage of some very good weather conditions, we have been able to accelerate the entire process of replacing the section of the bridge that was damaged," said TransLink CEO Tom Prendergast in a release yesterday.

The bridge closed Jan. 18 after an early morning fire damaged an 18-metre wooden trestle on the Surrey side of the bridge. TransLink initially estimated it would take between a month and six weeks to replace the trestle. The fire was caused by people living beneath the bridge, RCMP said.

On Tuesday, TransLink announced that they had located a steel-and-concrete span that had been used during the Canada Line excavation on Cambie Street. At that time, TransLink estimated that replacing the wooden trestle would take two weeks.

Prendergast said finding the Canada Line span was the key to the speedy repair, because it eliminated the need to fabricate and assemble a new span.

The damaged section was demolished early last week. Piledriving began Thursday and the replacement span was installed Saturday. The replacement span should last 10 years until the entire bridge is replaced as planned.

Poultry movement restricted on 23 farms as turkey cull to start

BIRD FLU The cull of about 60,000 turkeys will begin today or tomorrow following an outbreak of bird flu at a farm in Abbotsford.

The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) confirmed Saturday the presence of H5 avian influenza at E&H Farms.

"Tests to date indicate that the strain of (avian influenza) in this case is low pathogenic," the CFIA said in a release.

"Further testing is underway to confirm pathogenicity and to determine the precise subtype and strain of the virus."

Avian influenza viruses rarely affect humans and if poultry is properly handled and cooked does not pose a risk to food safety.

In addition to the cull, the CFIA has placed restrictions on the movement of poultry on 23 farms that are within three kilometres of the infected property. They are also investigating the recent movement of birds and equipment from the farm.

Poultry owners in the area have been asked to employ biosecurity measures and monitor their flocks, immediately reporting any sick or dead birds.

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City's tallest building opens for public tours
Vancouver's tallest building — the Shangri-La — has opened its doors to the public, giving visitors a chance to explore the new $300-million hotel and condo complex. Tours of the first 15 floors, which are dedicated to the hotel, will be offered on weekends until April. **METRO VANCOUVER**

Local

James' car broken into

Carole James, left, leader of the B.C. NDP, says she'll never leave personal possessions in a vehicle again after having her ID, credit cards, Blackberry and passport stolen from her car trunk. James had been giving a speech in a Surrey banquet hall when she was robbed. **METRO VANCOUVER**

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News in brief

CORRECTION Vancouver restaurant Wild Rice (Pender and Abbott) is serving a $25 Ox-inspired menu tonight until Feb. 8 in honour of the Lunar New Year. In an article published Friday, Ox dishes inspire Chinese menus, the Wild Rice representative quoted is proprietor Andrew Wong and the restaurant's current chef is Todd Bright. **METRO VANCOUVER**

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WHAT'S ONLINE TODAY

Comment What a $34-billion deficit could buy at **metronews.ca/canada**

Global Style columnist Kenya Hunt launches her new blog at **metronews.ca/canada**

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Friday, Jan. 23
Lotto Super 7: 3, 4, 1, 22, 28, 34 & 37 Bonus 21
Extra: 47, 81, 83, 94
Saturday, Jan. 24
Lotto 6/49: 9, 13, 20, 29, 35, 46 Bonus 5
BC 49: 5, 8, 14, 16, 28, 35 Bonus 15
Extra: 1, 13, 20, 79
These results are not official.

From the Van Down Under

Expats crowd Granville Street pub for Australia Day festivities

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If it weren't for the NHL hockey game on the TV behind the bar, you might have thought you were in Australia rather than Vancouver at the Beaver Bar and Grill last night.

Many of our city's Australian diaspora, clad in green and yellow or wearing Australian flags as capes, piled into the popular backpacker's pub on Granville Street to celebrate Australia Day, which is acknowledged officially today.

Amy Jones, 24, from the Western Australia city of Perth, said Aussies abroad celebrate the holiday at the same time as it's celebrated back home.

That meant visitors from Down Under began partying at 3 p.m. yesterday, when the Triple J Top 100 countdown began broadcasting live in Australia.

The annual radio show counts down the top 100 songs of 2008 based on the votes of Triple J radio station's listeners.

"(Australia Day) is my favourite holiday," said Jones. "Triple J is one of the biggest parts of it."

She added while it's not the same celebrating in Canada, it helps to be surrounded by other Aussies.

Kirsten Miffling, 25, also from Perth, said Australians are drawn to the West Coast because of the mountain culture, which is a novelty there.

"We have beaches but we don't have mountains," she said. "I love snow."

KRISTEN THOMPSON / METRO VANCOUVER

Patrons celebrate Aussie Day at the Beaver Bar and Grill on Granville Street last night.

Racial slurs used in alleged attack by police: Victim

ASSAULT A man allegedly assaulted by off-duty police officers said his attackers hurled racist remarks as they beat him.

Officers from the Delta, New Westminster and West Vancouver police departments were arrested early Wednesday morning outside the Vancouver Hyatt for allegedly assaulting and robbing Firoz (Phil) Khan.

Khan, 47, a newspaper deliveryman from Surrey, said his attackers said "We don't like brown people" as they beat him.

On Friday, Vancouver police Chief Jim Chu took the unusual step of commenting on the investigation "for the sake of preserving the public's respect" and said the VPD was "aggressively investigating" the assault.

Two of the officers involved have been assigned to desk or administrative duties. A third has been suspended with pay.

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Turnout too low for compensation vote

A referendum on a proposed agreement that would have compensated members of Manitoba's Peguis First Nation for land they surrendered a century ago has failed to draw enough voters to make the results count. There were more than 4,000 eligible voters, but fewer than 1,500 cast ballots. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

Canada

Back-to-work order quashed

Ontario's New Democrats have stalled the provincial government's bid to legislate an end to the York University strike. NDP Leader Howard Hampton, left, said he was against forcing an end to the 11-week-old labour dispute. The back-to-work legislation tabled yesterday could have ended the strike at Canada's third largest university but the NDP's eight members voted against early passage. CBC NEWS ONLINE

Conservatives target training

More than $2 billion in training and support funds for those who lose their jobs will be announced in tomorrow's federal budget, along with hundreds of millions of dollars to create a new economic development agency for hard-hit southern Ontario.

Human Resources Minister Diane Finley outlined the spending in an interview with the Torstar News Service as Prime Minister Stephen Harper hinted the budget would contain permanent tax cuts to put extra money in the pockets of middle-class Canadians.

Finley said the budget would contain $1.5 billion in cash to provide training for laid-off workers who are eligible to collect employment insurance and for those who cannot access EI funds under current rules.

She admitted yesterday that a lot of Canadians are "unfortunately" going to lose their jobs before the economy bounces back.

Brushing aside budget secrecy traditions, the Conservatives continue to roll out the big-ticket items in tomorrow's budget on an item-by-item basis.

And cabinet ministers are hinting at permanent tax cuts that will provide more cash for middle-class Canadians in hopes they will spend it on consumer goods to jump-start the desperately weak economy.

On Saturday, Harper confirmed tomorrow's budget will contain lasting tax cuts, not simply short-term tax reductions meant to help get Canada escape the recession.

"If we're talking about tax cuts, these measures in most cases have to be permanent to be effective," he told La Presse newspaper.

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Stimulus package details

- Overall stimulus valued at about $21B
- $1B fund for mining, farming, forestry
- $2B for social housing
- Permanent tax cuts
- $500M to modernize farms/equipment
- $50M to expand slaughterhouses
- $50 million to promote forestry abroad

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PM gets a second shot at budget

Canada 2009 Federal Budget

SPENDING Prime Minister Stephen Harper gets a political do-over this week as he tries to save Canada's economy and his own minority government.

He hopes to do it with tomorrow's free-spending budget, which will dispense billions of dollars for social housing, infrastructure and hard-hit sectors such as mining and forestry.

But Harper returns to Parliament today with his reputation as a political tactician wounded, facing an emboldened opposition and a new Liberal leader — Michael Ignatieff — who in just a few weeks has already buoyed his party with confidence and rising poll numbers.

Despite the big-ticket initiatives coming tomorrow, NDP Leader Jack Layton isn't backing off from his bid to have the NDP-Liberal coalition take power.

"What we need is real change … what we won't get if Mr. Harper stays in power," he told CTV's Question Period yesterday.

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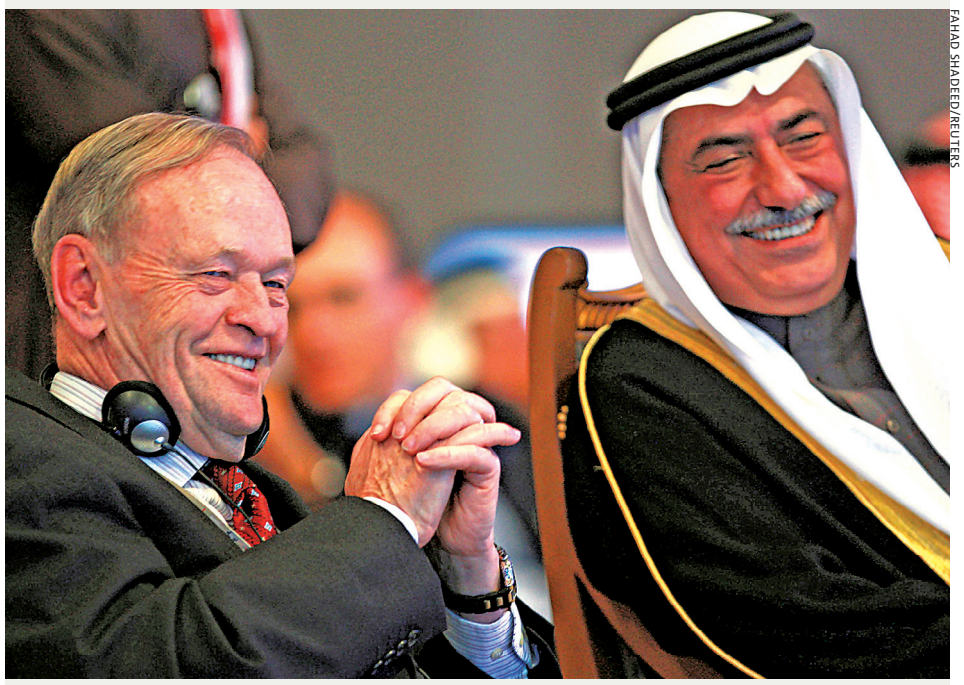

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Former prime minister Jean Chrétien, left, and Saudi Arabia's Minister of Finance Ibrahim al-Assaf attend the third Global Competitiveness Forum in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia yesterday. The forum brings together roughly 1,500 delegates from all over the globe with the intent to prepare advice to present to the G20 when that group meets in April.

Flaherty urged to think green

ENVIRONMENT Calls for Finance Minister Jim Flaherty to keep the environment top of mind when crafting the stimulus plan, the highlight of tomorrow's federal budget, have been loud and persistent.

Economists, former prime ministers, opposition parties and activists are all urging billions of dollars to retune the Canadian economy for a low-carbon future with green cars, power, buildings and bonds.

But their hope for a greener country is up against a powerful edict that has gripped the capital. Bureaucrats are said to be slipping through the snowy streets of Ottawa muttering about the "shovel-ready" projects competing for upwards of $20 billion of federal funds in the hope the ventures will pull Canada out of its financial funk.

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The last three years of Tory rule have left the impression that this government sees swift environmental action as ruinous for the economy. But with the economy now in trouble, this week's financial injection is seen as an opportunity to catapult Canada toward sustainability.

"The failure to take advantage of this opportunity to shift Canada's economy onto a more sustainable footing … could have significant consequences for decades to come," warns a recent paper, authored by a team of researchers, including a former assistant deputy finance minister and a former deputy environment minister.

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Stephen Harper a changed man

POLITICS From the Senate to fixed-date elections and government appointments, Prime Minister Stephen Harper has seen his political principles tested and turned on their head in recent months.

Tomorrow, Harper will put a price tag on that political journey — as much as $34 billion — as the minority Conservatives unveil a budget that will spill red ink on a scale not seen in more than a decade.

This from a prime minister who just months ago vowed there would be no deficit.

"We will not be running a deficit. We will keep our spending within our means."
Stephen Harper, on Oct. 7

"We will not be running a deficit. We will keep our spending within our means. It is that simple. The alternative is not a plan. It is just the consequence of complete panic, and this government will not panic at a time of uncertainty," Harper told a Toronto audience on Oct. 7.

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Times change quickly and, with them, the politicians who rule.

The story of Harper these past few months — as he grapples with a minority Parliament and a fast-changing economic downturn — has been one of political principles meeting reality and, in the minds of some, principles sacrificed for political expediency.

"He's turned his back on so many things. He said he would never appoint senators the way he did. Sure enough he broke that promise. Election dates, appointing Supreme Court justices, the list is pretty long," NDP Leader Jack Layton told CTV's Question Period.

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News in brief

TRANSIT The union representing Ottawa transit workers said it will meet with city officials to resume negotiations today, the same day thousands are expected to rally on Parliament Hill for an end to the longest bus strike in the history of the nation's capital, CBC News Online reports. The 2,300 workers have been on strike since Dec. 10.

QUEBEC An officer with Quebec provincial police is suing the force for $5.4 million, alleging it failed to protect him from racial harassment.

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Avalanche claims 10 lives in Turkey
An avalanche that swept down a mountain near a small winter resort killed 10 climbers in northeast Turkey yesterday, but seven of their companions survived the crush. REUTERS

World

Israeli PM promises to protect soldiers

International calls to investigate Israel over alleged war crimes in the Gaza Strip prompted Prime Minister Ehud Olmert yesterday to promise military personnel state protection from foreign prosecution.

"The commanders and soldiers sent to Gaza should know they are safe from various tribunals and Israel will assist them on this front and defend them, just as they protected us with their bodies during the Gaza operation," Olmert said.

Last week, the military censor ordered local and foreign media in Israel not to publish names of army commanders in the Gaza war and to blur their faces in photos and video for fear they could be identified and arrested while travelling abroad.

Israeli media reports said the military had been advising its top brass to think twice about visiting Europe.

Speaking at a weekly cabinet meeting, Olmert said Israel's justice minister would consult the country's top legal experts and find "answers to possible questions relating to the Israeli military's activities" during the 22-day war.

Some 1,300 Palestinians, including at least 700 civilians, were killed, medical officials said, in the offensive Israel launched in the Hamas-ruled Gaza Strip with the declared aim of ending cross-border rocket attacks.

The civilian deaths sparked public outcry abroad and prompted senior UN officials to demand independent investigations into whether Israel committed war crimes.

Israel said hundreds of militants were among the Palestinian dead and that it tried its best to avoid civilian casualties in densely populated areas where gunmen operated. REUTERS

Proposed truce terms

- Israel has proposed to Egyptian mediators an 18-month ceasefire with Hamas, but the group that controls Gaza said it wants a one-year ceasefire, a Hamas official said yesterday.

Storm kills 15 in France, Spain

DAMAGE European countries sent teams of electricians to France yesterday and Spain deployed extra troops to help deal with the aftermath of a storm that killed 15 people in southwest France and northern Spain.

News in brief

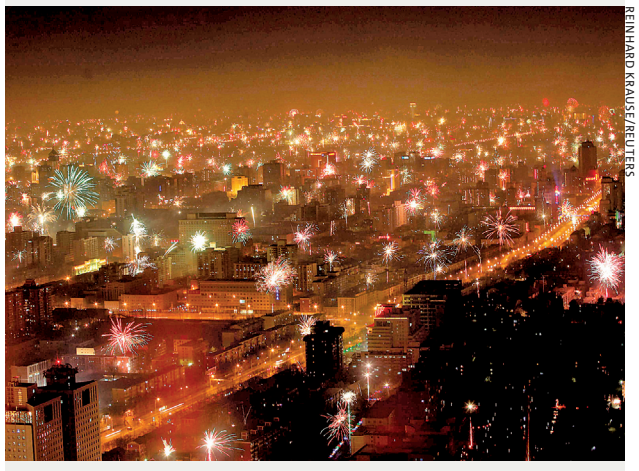
VIETNAM At least 40 people drowned when a ferry sank in central Vietnam yesterday, police said. Most of the dead were women and children on their way to a market at the start of the week-long Lunar New Year festival, a police officer said.

REBELS Sri Lankan soldiers captured the last major town held by Tamil Tiger separatists yesterday, moving a step closer to finishing off one of Asia's longest-running insurgencies, the army said.

DOWRY Nepal's beleaguered Maoist Prime Minister Prachanda vowed yesterday to ban the dowry system and criminalize untouchability.

VOTE Bolivian voters backed a new constitution yesterday, allowing leftist President Evo Morales to run for re-election and tighten his grip on the economy. REUTERS

China **Happy New Year**



REINHARD KRAUSE/REUTERS

Fireworks illuminate the skyline of Beijing during Chinese New Year celebrations yesterday. Hundreds of millions of Chinese geared up to welcome the Year of the Ox, packing temple fairs and setting off fireworks and firecrackers.

Obama plans to ban weapons in space

POLICY U.S. President Barack Obama's pledge to seek a worldwide ban on weapons in space marks a dramatic shift in policy, while posing the tricky issue of defining whether a satellite can be a weapon.

Moments after Obama's inauguration last week, the White House website was updated to include policy statements on a range of issues, including a pledge to restore U.S. leadership on space issues and seek a worldwide ban on weapons that interfere with military and commercial satellites.

It also promised to look at threats to U.S. satellites, contingency plans to keep information flowing from them, and what steps are needed to protect spacecraft against attack. REUTERS

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First-day commandments

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Anne Hines

Besides working as a writer, I've spent the last eight years studying to become a United Church minister. I go to school part-time. I've said that my goal is "to try to graduate while there is still religion."

Frankly, some days, this seems a little touch and go.

Lately, the number of members in my church has been dropping faster than a Nortel-based RRSP. In fact, friends have suggested I consider a career with a brighter future. Perhaps as a typewriter salesperson or a small screen TV repairman.

But I've always been someone who follows her heart. Even when everyone's insisting its GPS must be on the blink.

As part of my studies, I'll spend the next eight months working at an inner-city church and a mental-health institution.

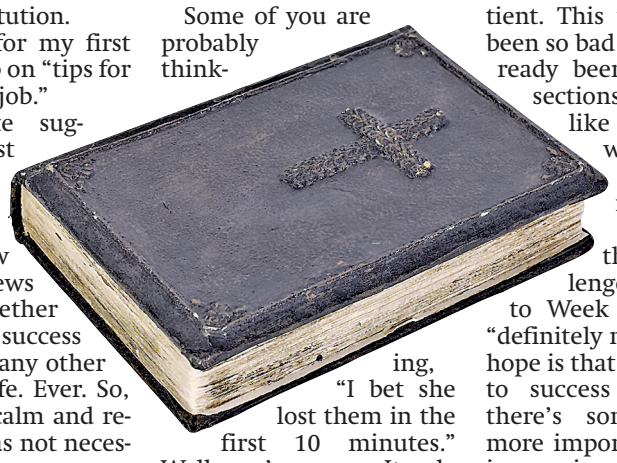
To prepare for my first day, I boned up on "tips for starting a new job."

One website suggested, "First impressions are all-important. They determine how everyone views you and whether you'll achieve success in your job or any other part of your life. Ever. So, be sure to be calm and relaxed." This was not necessarily helpful.

Nor was, "Try to show you fit in." In the past, my efforts to fit in have led me to join an office lawn bowling team, drink tree bark-flavoured coffee and agree that Tiffany is the most underrated artist of our time.

The first-day strategy I adopted was "setting the bar low." At the church, I was issued keys and cautioned never to misplace them.

Some of you are probably thinking, "I bet she lost them in the first 10 minutes." Well, you're wrong. It only took five. For the next half hour, the entire staff searched for the keys that, fortunately, we found. Unfortunately, where we found them was in my jeans pocket.



Things didn't go smoothly at the mental-health institution either. Partway through the orientation questionnaire, the administrator realized I was there as staff, not as a patient. This wouldn't have been so bad except we'd already been through the sections on "issues I'd like to work on while here" and "preferred medications."

Am I up to this new challenge? As I head into Week 2, I'm saying "definitely maybe." What I hope is that when it comes to success on the job, there's something even more important than first impressions. Second, third and fourth ones.

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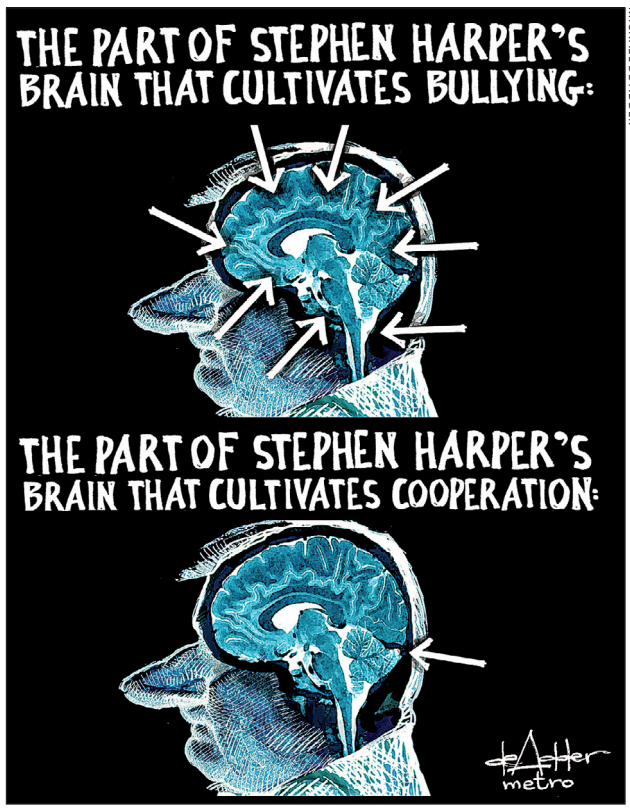

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Views

Vancouver deserves better rail travel

InTransit

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Last week's inauguration of Barack Obama has not only raised the hopes of those looking for a major shift in United States foreign policy, it has also changed expectations for that country's urban and transportation policy.

The president-elect, the thinking goes, will be looking to stimulate the economy by investing in major infrastructure projects in cities — including those devoted to public transport such as railways. Canada's politicians would be wise to follow that lead.

Rail travel — while long neglected in this country — is now being recognized as a smart alternative to worsening road congestion. Compared to automobile or even air traffic, it also makes good environmental sense, producing less carbon emissions. Which makes it hard to understand the sorry state of inter-city passenger rail in this region.

An Amtrak-operated passenger train operates between Vancouver and Seattle, but the service has a reputation for awkward departure times and slow service.

And a long-promised second service between the two cities, which would have at least improved the scheduling problem, is stuck in bureaucratic limbo because of demands from the Canadian Border Services Agency.

Questions about the Lower Mainland's mediocre passenger rail situation are now being raised by international media.

Elisabeth Eaves of Forbes.com recently wrote about a Vancouver-bound train that got stuck in the snow en route from Washington State, forcing passengers to endure a five-hour wait — inside Vancouver city limits — before being allowed to disembark.

Which, laments Eaves, "is remarkable in a city that plans to host the Winter Olympics in just over a year, in the sometimes snowy month of February, when it will be visited by foreigners who think trains are a viable means of transport."

It doesn't have to be this way. Last winter, during a vacation in Japan, I had the fortune to ride the Shinkansen bullet train between the cities of Osaka and Hiroshima. The journey was not only a revelation for its speed, but also for its stunning convenience and comfort.

And that's why more cities around the globe are embracing passenger rail.

Shouldn't a supposedly forward-thinking city like Vancouver be doing the same?

Derek Moscato is a writer with a focus on urban issues, transportation, architecture and economics.

Worth mentioning

Nigerian police holding goat for attempted theft

Police in Nigeria are holding a goat on suspicion of attempted armed robbery.

Vigilantes took the black and white beast to the police saying it was an armed robber who had used black magic to transform himself into a goat to escape arrest after trying to steal a Mazda 323.

"The group of vigilante men came to report that while they were on patrol, they saw some hoodlums attempting to rob a car. They pursued them. However, one of them escaped while the other turned into a goat," Kwara state police spokesman Tunde Mohammed said.

"We cannot confirm the story, but the goat is in our custody. We cannot base our information on something mystical. It is something that has to be proved scientifically, that a human being turned into a goat," he said.

The goat remains in custody. REUTERS

Quote of the Day

"On Tuesday, we'll all see whether the prime minister has learned to listen. If he hasn't learned to listen, he's not going to lead for long."

— Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Dior feels downturn
Paris fashion week attendees note that Christian Dior and other labels have cut back on the usual glamorous venues and extravagant festivities — such as champagne and hiring of many models — to save money as sales drop. REUTERS

Business

The Fed's got a plan

With interest rates already near zero, the U.S. Federal Reserve this week will seek to flesh out new, unconventional ways to free up lending. The Fed will issue a policy statement Wednesday detailing ways it plans to restore consumer and business confidence and tackle the financial crisis. REUTERS

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Currency juking not true: China

CURRENCY Criticism that China is manipulating its currency is misplaced, unfair, unjust and being used as an excuse for trade protectionism, a commentary by the Xinhua state news agency said yesterday.

U.S. Treasury Secretary-designate Timothy Geithner said this week that Beijing was manipulating its currency exchange policies to gain an unfair trade advantage, comments already rebuked by China's central bank.

The commentary called the comments "a misinterpretation of the main reasons for the financial crisis, and will encourage the rise of trade protectionism in some Western countries," without directly naming the U.S. REUTERS

'Big and bold is best'

Canada 2009
Federal **Budget**

With the Canadian government having already leaked deficit figures ahead of tomorrow's budget, investors are now focused on the specific measures that could boost sectors as diverse as construction and banking.

They will also be seeking confirmation that a country that until recently prided itself on fiscal prudence now sees the pressing need to borrow heavily in order to boost growth.

"Big and bold is best," said Ian Nakamoto, director of research at MacDougall, MacDougall & MacTier. "It cannot be timid in this environment. You've got to throw everything you've got at it."

Analysts have speculated that the specific measures could range from regulatory changes that would let Ottawa inject equity into banks, to infrastructure spending that would boost construction and engineering firms like SNC-Lavalin Group Inc.

Financial stocks such as Royal Bank of Canada, Toronto-Dominion Bank and Bank of Nova Scotia are seen as one of the best investment plays if better times beckon.

Meanwhile, government bond prices may come under some pressure from renewed deficits.

In currency markets, market players say a strong stimulus package could be a near-term positive for the Canadian dollar, as the boost it provides may help the Bank of Canada maintain the current positive spread to U.S. interest rates. REUTERS

Business in brief

ECONOMY The International Monetary Fund will cut its 2009 global growth forecast to between one and 1.5 per cent. Its last forecast in November called for 2.2 per cent growth.

AUTOS German car dealers are reporting a brisk upturn in sales, thanks to government-issued vouchers of 2,500 euros for new car buyers who scrap cars older than nine. REUTERS

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Chinese New Year **Fair festivities**

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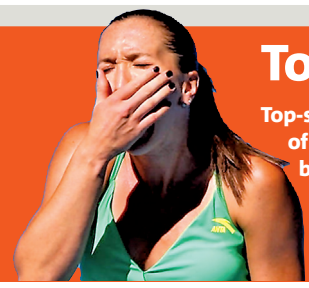
A woman wears an ice princess costume during a parade at an amusement park in Beijing yesterday. Chinese people troop to temple fairs and parks to celebrate the Lunar New Year of Ox, which starts today.

Canadian sixth at slalom

Julien Lizeroux edged Jean-Baptiste Grange in a French 1-2 finish yesterday at a men's World Cup slalom. John Kucera of Calgary had two strong slalom runs to vault to sixth place in the combined event. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports



Top seed Jankovic out

Top-seeded Jelena Jankovic of Serbia, left, was knocked out of the Australian Open yesterday, beaten in straight sets by Marion Bartoli of France. On the men's side, Roger Federer survived a scare, coming back from two sets down against Tomas Berdych to reach the quarter-finals. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Sports in brief

SPEED SKATING Fort St. John's Denny Morrison won the 1,000 metres in a long-track speedskating World Cup in Russia yesterday, while his main competitor, Shani Davis of the U.S., placed a distant fourth. Christine Nesbitt added two bronzes in the event. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Beckham

SOCCER David Beckham netted his first Serie A goal and Kaká scored twice after a difficult week to give third-placed AC Milan a 4-1 comeback win at Bologna. Kaká, whose world-record move to Manchester City collapsed last Monday, converted a penalty and fired in a superb strike before Beckham wrapped things up with a near-post finish. REUTERS

NBA Lionel Hollins was officially named the new head coach of the Memphis Grizzlies yesterday. Hollins, who left his assistant coaching position in Milwaukee to take the job, will make his third coaching stint for the Grizzlies. The 55-year-old had served as an assistant when the expansion club, then located in Vancouver, began play in 1995-96. He eventually took over as head coach for the final 60 games of the 1999-2000 campaign after Brian Hill was fired and guided the team to a mark of 18-42.

NBA Milwaukee Bucks star Michael Redd will miss the remainder of the season after suffering a pair of torn knee ligaments in Saturday's game against Sacramento. Redd was hurt during Milwaukee's 106-104 win, and an MRI exam yesterday revealed a torn anterior cruciate ligament as well as a torn medial collateral ligament in the left knee. METRO NEWS SERVICES

BRUCE BENNETT/GETTY IMAGES

Montreal's Alexei Kovalev scores the shootout winner for the East on Roberto Luongo last night.

Hometown hero

NHL ALL-STAR GAME

West 11 **East** 12 (SO)

Alex Kovalev collected three points on two goals and one assist and notched the game-winner in the shootout, as the Eastern Conference posted a wild 12-11 win over the Western Conference at the 57th NHL all-star game in Montreal.

Kovalev, the Montreal Canadiens' captain, collected MVP honours for the effort, his first such recognition in his 16-year career. In addition, he became the first Habs player to earn the honor since Mark Recchi in 1997 at San Jose.

Kovalev opened the second round of the shootout on a sizzling wrister to the glove side that caught West netminder Roberto Luongo off guard. After Rick Nash failed on his chance against Tim Thomas, Alex Ovechkin clinched the win by pushing a shot inside the left post.

Martin St. Louis also notched two goals and a helper for the Eastern Conference, which won for the third time in five games since the NHL re-established an East-West format in 2003.

Jay Bouwmeester and Ovechkin added a goal and two assists each, and Marc Savard had three helpers, while Thomas got the win after allowing three goals on 22 shots through the third period and overtime.

Sheldon Souray picked up a pair of goals for the Western Conference, which lost for the second time in three contests.

Nash, Milan Hejduk and Patrick Marleau contributed a goal and two assists and Luongo took the loss, charged with three goals on 16 shots in 25 minutes between the pipes.

The 23 combined goals in the contest ranked second only to the 2001 all-star game in Denver, which saw Team North America clip Team World, 14-12. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Skipping

- Detroit Red Wings veterans Pavel Datsyuk and Nicklas Lidstrom will be suspended one game for skipping this weekend's all-star festivities in Montreal.

NHL commissioner Gary Bettman told CBC yesterday that the action is the players' own fault, while TSN reported that the NHLPA may file a grievance in response.

Crunch time begins

ToulBox

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You can breathe now, Canucks' fans. Roberto Luongo emerged unscathed from his All Star appearance, which included twenty-five minutes of work and a shootout, the one thing he'd hoped to avoid in Montreal.

Now it's time for Luongo to live up to his billing as one of the best in the biz as the Canucks go searching for a playoff berth.

Same goes for Mats Sundin, who has yet to display the form worthy of a $5-million contract for just over a half a season.

Numerous former players said it would take the big Swede three weeks to get up to speed. Interestingly enough, Wednesday's game against Nashville falls on day twenty-one of the Sundin experience.

- While some have scoffed at a few of the unconventional ideas Mike Gillis has employed since taking over the Canucks, it appears as though at least one of them will benefit the club in a very tangible way.

Earlier this season, Gillis had his players monitored by a Fatigue Management Program. The Canucks wore sleep bands and provided feedback on their physical status.

Of course, they didn't foresee Roberto Luongo's injury, but Gillis felt their findings were significant enough to take to NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman back in November.

Apparently Bettman was listening, because the league has already sent the Canucks a draft of all but three of their road games for next season. Gillis says the NHL made a number of concessions based on the case the Canucks presented. "They made us a No. 1 priority in terms of travel for a variety of reasons," Gillis told the TEAM 1040 on Friday.

"One of them is injury history, crossing borders, and the fact that we don't have a team within two or three hours of us."

It may be impossible to objectively quantify the effect a better travel schedule will have on the Canucks' results next season, but the fact that Gillis has convinced the league to act after years of griping on the west coast says something about his ability to get things done.

- As for the current schedule, it had better not be used as an excuse if the Canucks don't make the post-season.

Yes, there are two stretches that see the Canucks play eight games in eight different cities over fourteen days, but 21 of their final 34 games are against teams that are currently out of the playoff picture.

If you can't beat the teams that aren't in the playoffs, how can you expect to compete with the ones that are?

Scott Rintoul is a college athlete, sports fan and broadcaster. He can be heard Monday-Friday on the TEAM 1040 from 6-9 a.m.

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Building for the future

EarthTones

Hello Metro readers. After a brief hiatus we, Earth Tones, are back.

Since we last spoke, many things have happened in the world. Most immediately relevant to most of us is the bottom has fallen out of the world economy. So these days companies are worried about staying in business, not trading carbon credits, and individuals are worried about keeping their jobs and paying their mortgages, not about whether to buy a Smart Car or a Prius.

A year ago, the environment was consistently among the top-three priorities for Canadians in opinion polls. These days, it doesn't even crack the top five. Is the environment still relevant in today's political and economic climate? Why should we take time away from worrying about our bank balances to worry about the Earth's balance?

Polar ice is still melting, CO2 levels are still rising. These things don't stop because humans have dug themselves a financial hole. Although worldwide manufacturing has slowed, carbon emissions have not been reduced to a level that makes a difference to global warming. We need to decide whether the environment is a luxury that we consider only in times of plenty or whether it is our lifeline that we need to sustain at all times.

We also need to remember that our economy is in transition. The benchmark for economic downturns is, of course, the Great Depression. During the Depression, many world leaders used deficit spending to finance huge infrastructure projects that laid the foundation for the modern economy.

We have before us an opportunity. The economic stimulus that we so urgently need can be used to lay a new infrastructure for a greener future. Massive investments in public transit can be made. New light-rail and bus systems can be integrated with existing systems so that in the future cars are simply not a necessity of day-to-day life the way they are today.

Similarly, the government plans to invest in industry, which will create jobs and confidence. Special consideration must be given to industries that will be environmentally sustainable and that will continue to support the economy into the future when oil is not readily available and carbon emissions are more strictly controlled.

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Workology

Unmet targets in Halifax

In its forthcoming 2009 Economic Scorecard Report, the Halifax Chamber of Commerce says regional universities are failing to meet the target of increasing admissions by 500 students a year. In 2008, 785 fewer students were attending metro Halifax universities than in 2004, and "the declining trend is cause for concern," it said. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Bad management tops reasons employees quit

EMPLOYMENT When top performers decide to jump ship, managers may want to consider a little self-reflection, a recent survey suggests. More than one-third (35 per cent) of executives interviewed said good employees are most likely to quit their jobs because of unhappiness with management. This is up from 23 per cent when the question was asked five years ago. Limited opportunities for advancement was the second most common answer, cited by 33 per cent of respondents.

The survey was developed by Robert Half International and conducted by an independent research firm.

Executives were asked, "Which of the following is most likely to cause good employees to quit their jobs?"

Robert Half also recently issued survey findings that show employers' greatest staffing concern is employee retention.

"Professionals seek strong leadership, particularly during times of uncertainty, and they also want managers they can learn from and who take an interest in their careers," said Max Messmer, chairman and CEO of Robert Half International "In today's business environment, where many companies have reduced staff levels, managers need to be extra attentive to the needs of their teams, or they risk losing their most valuable employees."

Messmer added, "Employees want to see their efforts rewarded and acknowledged. If offering a promotion isn't an option right now, managers should consider providing employees with professional development opportunities and the flexibility to pursue projects that will help them expand their skill sets."

Most employees who are looking for a new job will send out warning signals. Robert Half identifies the following four red flags for supervisors to be aware of:

- A noticeable change in attitude. A formerly enthusiastic staff member may seem withdrawn and indifferent.
- Longer lunch breaks and frequent absences. This may be a sign that someone is using the time for job interviews.
- Missed deadlines and increased errors. Everyone misses a deadline from time to time, but apathetic workers make it a habit.
- A drop in productivity. A decline in performance or work quality and increased forgetfulness could indicate a worker who is gradually disconnecting from the job.

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When only your bones can speak

Curtain Call

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Forensic anthropologist Dr. Martin Evison can tell a lot about a person just by their bones.

When only bones remain, it's the job of a forensic anthropologist to piece together a person's past.

Dr. Martin Evison, 47, is one such forensic anthropologist skilled at unravelling the stories bones often tell.

Evison, a native of the United Kingdom, came to Canada in 2005 and now directs the forensic science program at the University of Toronto.

From skeletal remains, Evison can estimate a person's age, sex, height and ancestry, alongside other details, though he insists the results can never be considered foolproof since health, genetics and environment can impact a person's identity greatly.

"Sometimes the accuracy of these methods is overstated. Experts will say they've determined the age when all they've really done is estimated the age," Evison said.

However, forensic anthropology can have dramatic effects on an investigation. One case he remembers in particular involved an unidentified skeleton with a missing finger tip and signs of stress on the victim's right elbow. This helped determine that the victim had worked as a buffer in the cutlery industry, constantly extending his arm as he polished cutlery. Evidence of surgical procedures on the bones suggested the male victim had bunyans on his feet as well as arthritis in several joints. Within days of releasing the information to the public, U.K. police received enough leads to eventually arrest and charge a father and son with the murder of an elder Yemeni man.

Evison also has experience in reconstructing facial appearance from a skull, an astounding but highly controversial technique within the field of forensic anthropology, due in large part to its subjective nature. While musculature can be accurately recreated from a skull, either by hand using a substance like clay or with specialized software on a computer, vital details such as the depth of each muscle and facial features on the skin can only be guessed at.

> **"It's really an artistic process with a limited scientific basis."**
> Dr. Martin Evison

"It's really an artistic process with a limited scientific basis, but you can get a resemblance, if not an exact likeness," Evison said.

Ultimately, Evison says the point of facial reconstructions is not to try to perfectly reproduce the face of a victim anyways, but rather as a means to get family, friends and acquaintances to pick up the phone and call in with leads.

"It's meant as a means of arousing public interest, and it generally works," Evison said.

In his career, Evison has investigated human rights abuses throughout some of the world most troubling recent conflicts in places such as Kosovo and Kenya, where too often only bones remain to speak for the dead.

"To be able to make even a small contribution to the situation in places like that, I feel it's important."

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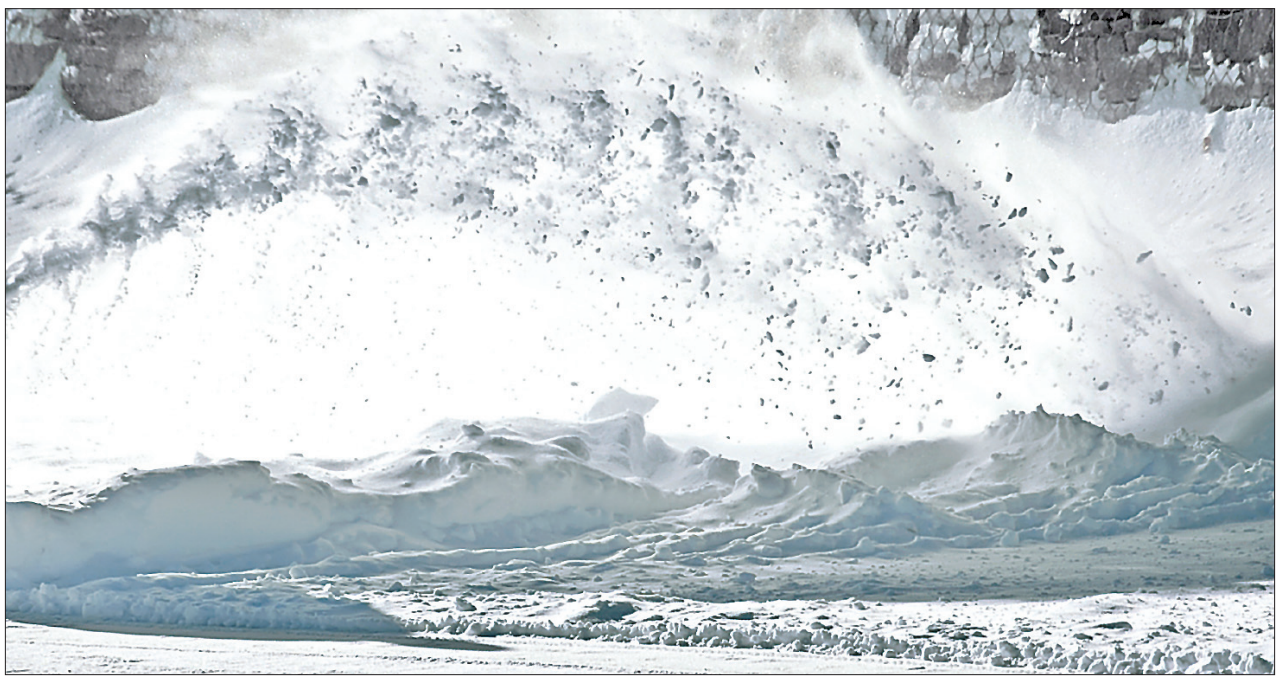
For the avid skier or snowboarder, snowmaking can be a very rewarding career.

If you're an avid skier, you'll be envious of Jodie McCutcheon. "It's a dream job," says the 37-year-old snowmaking, roads and parking manager for the Whistler Blackcomb ski resort. "I work days, I have technology at my disposal, I make darn good money and I get to ski a lot."

McCutcheon manages a staff of as many as a hundred people, including six millwrights that do equipment repairs year-round and a large staff of seasonal snowmakers who work from October to January. These mostly young men work 12-hour shifts operating 270 snowmaking guns. These guns shoot out water that turns into snow when combined with air. Snowmaking staff adjusts the water pressure and the direction of the guns, plus they move them around the mountain and shovel.

It's McCutcheon's job to decide if it's cold enough to make snow (it's less efficient to make snow once it gets up to -1C), assess the quality of the artificial snow and map out where the guns are going next.

He gets to his computer about 5:30 a.m. Cameras on the mountain helps him assess the snow and equipment. He also schedules his staff, checks the weather, monitors the water level in the resort's reservoir and looks ahead to upcoming ski competition and events that will need additional snow.

By about 8:15 a.m. he's outside on skis, checking the slopes and the guns. By lunch he's back in the office again, and his workday ends by 2 p.m. or 3 p.m.

McCutcheon comes from a farm in northern B.C. and briefly studied arts at university. In 1991 he moved to Whistler to be a ski bum. He started working for the mountain in equipment rentals and then as a ski patroller.

He had some friends who did snowmaking, and he liked what he heard about the job. "It was mechanical, very hands-on, very physical. And it was away from customer service. I thought I'd like it."

He joined the seasonal team in 1998. In the summer he worked as a carpenter. When the snowmaking season ended each year, he was free to ski or take a warm beach holiday.

The resort started investing more in snowmaking. McCutcheon was great with computers and technology, and started moving up the ranks. Eighteen months ago, his boss moved on and he found himself head of snowmaking operations.

It's safe to say, this guy knows snow.

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.

The Lowdown

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Senator in Travolta case resigns

The Bahamas senator arrested over an alleged plot to extort money from movie star John Travolta has resigned from her post, despite vowing to prove her innocence. IMDB.COM

Entertainment

Miss America

Katie Stam of Indiana was crowned Miss America on Saturday, fighting off a throat infection, laryngitis and 51 other contestants to win the pageant. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Weekend box office

1. **Paul Blart: Mall Cop:** $21.5 million US
2. **Underworld: Rise of the Lycans:** $20.7 million
3. **Gran Torino:** $16 million
4. **Hotel for Dogs:** $12.4 million
5. **Slumdog Millionaire:** $10.5 million
6. **My Bloody Valentine: 3-D:** $10 million
7. **Inkheart:** $7.7 million
8. **Bride Wars:** $7 million
9. **Curious Case of Benjamin Button:** $6 million
10. **Notorious:** $5.7 million

REUTERS

Design diversity

Reality series showcases Canadian fashions

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

On one side of the catwalk sit nervous budding designers, their eyes the sole indicators of any present jitters. Judgment, on the other hand, flows from the facial expressions of the fashion professionals who scribble notes as garments slink by on the svelte limbs of the models on parade.

This vogue vision is not filling the tents at Toronto Fashion Week, nor the seasonal debuts in New York or Paris. The scene is ripped from the unexpectedly stylish streets of Ottawa, the backdrop for the second season of design reality program Project Runway Canada, in which 14 aspiring designers compete for $100,000.

"The style in Ottawa tends to be thought of as conservative and high quality, with embassies and ambassadors and all kinds of high-end events," said Andrea Gabourie, the series' executive producer. "One of our goals with the show is making Canadians excited about knowing who the Canadian fashion designers are and buying their clothes."

Elevating designers into national recognition is largely established by the immediacy with which the show allows a complete unknown to display their construction and design abilities not just to the Canadian public, but also to internationally respected designers. Brian Bailey is one of them. The women's sportswear and eveningwear designer and Canada's first to produce complementary collections for both traditional and plus sizes returns this season to mentor the contestants.

"It's about immediate brand building," Bailey said. "It's about delivering into the hearts and homes of Canadians across Canada that watch television that we have a Canadian design industry."

But, while it may be nice to make Canadian designers feel special, there's no denying the misconception that the show is a fashion stepchild to the United States, says this season's host supermodel Iman.

"They have no idea how great their talent is, so they don't bring their game on because they think, 'Oh where will it go?'

"Fashion is global. There's not just a Canadian designer."

Ready for takeoff

- Project Runway Canada premieres on Global TV tomorrow night.

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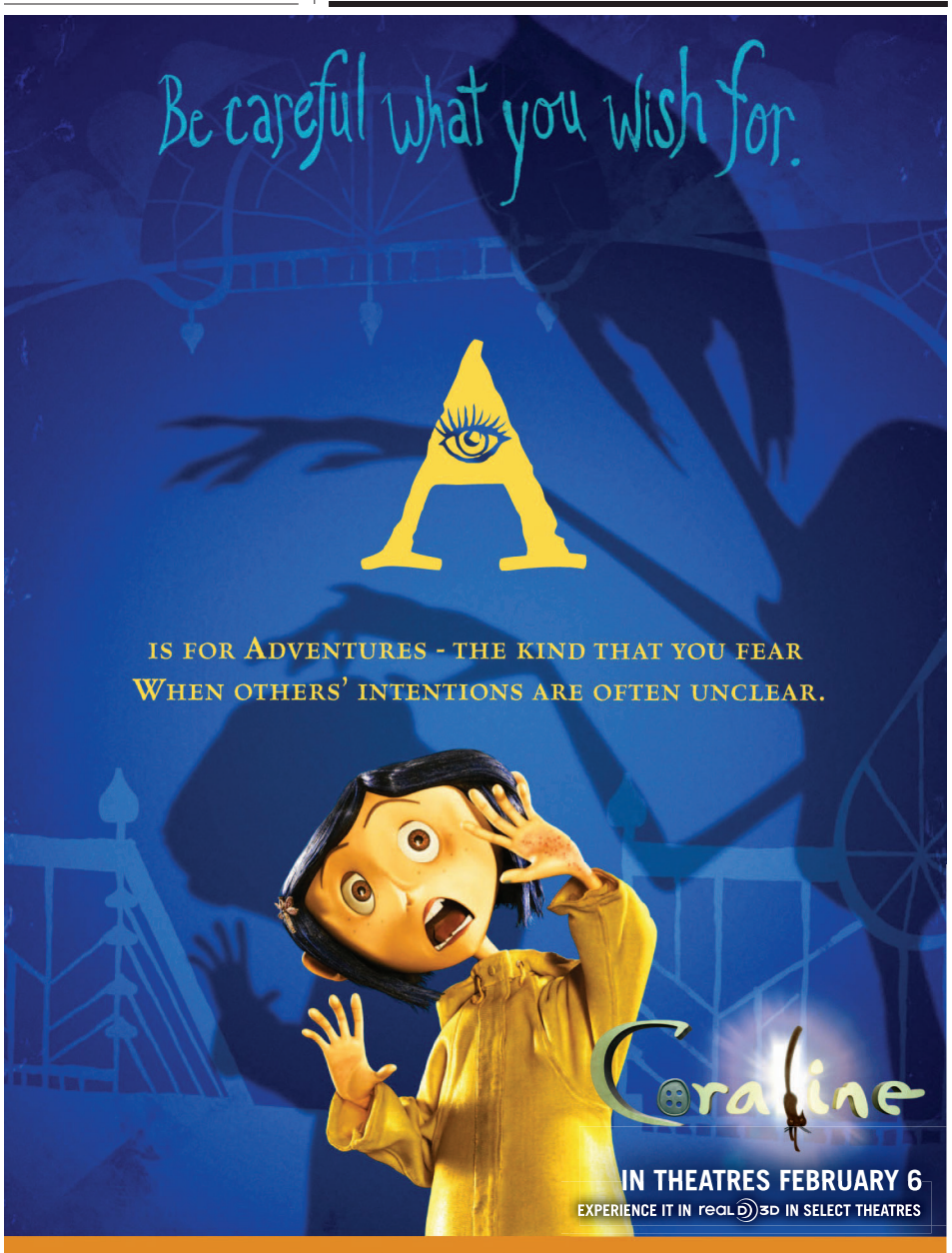
Supermodel Iman returns as host of Project Runway Canada.



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Lipstick Jungle stage manager accused of stealing
A stage manager for the NBC show Lipstick Jungle has been charged with stealing almost $30,000 US in designer fashion from the show, reports say. Arthur Moreira, 27, was arrested Friday in Brooklyn, N.Y. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Being Ab Fab in L.A.

IntelleVision

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WHAT'S THE AMERICAN FOR 'SWEETIE DARLING'? Fox is apparently pressing ahead with an Americanized version of Absolutely Fabulous, the BBC comedy that debuted in 1992 and sporadically produced five seasons and several specials.

I'm a big fan of the original show, which was, at its best, one of the most caustic and inspired pieces of social satire put on television.

I'm also no longer confident of my abilities to predict how well Americanizations of British shows will fare; I dismissed NBC's version of The Office before it premiered, and despite a miserable false start, ABC's Life on Mars turned out a lot better than my dire predictions.

While it's good news that Jennifer Saunders — one of the stars and creators of the original — will be executive producing the Fox version, there's still good reason to be worried about the show, which has been given a pilot order according to Variety and could hit the air by the fall.

WHAT COULD GO RIGHT: According to Variety, they've set the show in Los Angeles, which isn't exactly the centre of the fashion industry in America, but that could work; anyone who's watched a couple of seasons of Project Runway knows that the biggest loose cannons on the show are often products of L.A.'s fashion scene.

And anyone who's spent time in the boutiques of Hollywood or Beverly Hills can tell you that L.A. has money and taste in inverse proportions — as little of the latter as it has much of the former. Last year the stores were filled with pricey versions of what heavy metal groupies were wearing in the mid-80s; it would be rich to see Fox's version of Edina making her entrance

Jennifer Saunders, left, and Joanna Lumley served up the laughs in the British comedy Absolutely Fabulous.

swathed in L.A.'s take on the original show's Christian Lacroix tat.

The city matches England's abject celeb culture and exceeds it for flaky New Age trends, so the writers shouldn't have a problem mining their hometown for fecund material, and hopefully the casting director will be able to provide cameos and guest spots from celebrities on the A, B and Z lists willing to lampoon themselves.

WHAT COULD GO WRONG:

"(Los Angeles) matches England's abject celeb culture and exceeds it for flaky new age trends, so the writers shouldn't have a problem mining their hometown for fecund material."

For the life of me I can't think of any Americans able to match Saunders' or (especially) Joanna Lumley's crucial roles in the show; even in England, it was hard to imagine anyone willing to humiliate themselves by embodying such grandly irredeemable characters.

Faced with this obstacle, the writers and producers could scale back the show's comic ambitions, at which point it'll be dead in the water. I am, of course, happy to be proved wrong.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

From mom to son, with love from dad

A Journal for **Jordan**

Author: Dana Canedy
Publisher: Crown Publishers
Price: $30 (Hardcover)

When 1st Sgt. Charles King was killed in Iraq in 2006, he left behind a 200-page journal for his infant son Jordan, which offered the boy lessons on life and love. In A Journal for Jordan, King's widow Dana Canedy constructs her own letters to their son, combining excerpts from her husband's journal with an intimate account of her relationship with her husband.

That Went **Well**

Author: Terrell Harris Dougan
Publisher: Hyperion
Price: $29.95 (Hardcover)

After her sister Irene was born in 1946, Terrell Harris Dougan's life turned upside down. Irene was mentally disabled, and the family had to decide whether to institutionalize their beloved daughter, as was then the norm, or try to integrate her into society. They chose the latter, and this book is Dougan's comic, touching account of growing up with Irene and how caring for her impacted her parents' lives and her own pursuit of normalcy.

Hope & **Despair**

Author: Monia Mazigh
Publisher: McClelland & Stewart
Price: $34.99 (Hardcover)

Maher Arar didn't make it home to Canada from a family vacation in Tunisia in 2002. In Hope & Despair, Arar's wife Monia Mazigh recounts discovering he'd been detained on suspicion of ties to al-Qaida, his deportation to Syria and subsequent torture. Mazigh relives that time in unrelenting detail: She raised their two children alone, struggled with the Canadian government and worked tirelessly for a reunion.

BRIAN COULTON/FOR METRO CANADA

BookPicks

Internet TVs generate buzz

TECHNOLOGY A new generation of Internet-connected TV sets are emerging as potentially useful tools for the recording industry in its ongoing quest to extend the reach of digital music into living rooms.

Judging from the buzz that connected TVs generated at the otherwise subdued International Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas recently, Internet access may soon become as important a feature to TV buyers as screen size and resolution.

Attempts to bring online connectivity to TV screens are hardly new. What's different this year is that instead of pitching such TVs as a way to browse the web, TV makers are touting their ability to deliver a wider range of entertainment options. REUTERS

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	255	358	6 JOY	E! News	The Insider	The Soup	How I Met	The Last Templar (2009) (Part 2 of 2) Mira Sorvino. (CC)				News (N)
	254	-	8 M	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Omni News: Mandarin Edition		News: Cantonese Edition		Omni News: Punjabi Edition		Metropia
	250	321	9 CTV	etalk (CC)	Hollywood	Big Bang Th	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Corner Gas	CSI: Miami "Resurrection"		News (N)
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	252	336	11 GTV	Entertainment	ET Canada	House "Big Baby" (N) (CC)		24 "Day 7: 1:00PM - 2:00PM"		Captain Cook: Obsession		News (N)
	256	389	12 VI	Instant Star	TMZ (N) (CC)	Gossip Girl (CC)		Paris Hilton's My New BFF		Old Christine	Old Christine	News (CC)
	253	359	13 CITY	Law & Order: SVU		The Bachelor (N) (CC)				True Beauty (N) (CC)		EP Daily
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	289	381	15 CBS	Entertainment	The Insider	Big Bang Th	How I Met	Two/Half Men	Worst Week	CSI: Miami "Resurrection"		News (N)
	287	379	16 NBC	Evening Mag.	Inside Edition	Superstars of Dance (CC)		The Last Templar (2009) (Part 2 of 2) Mira Sorvino. (CC)				News (N)
	602	568	19 W	Will & Grace	Friends (CC)	How Clean	Kim	Love It or List It		House	Smart Cookies	Maxed Out
	288	380	21 ABC	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	The Bachelor (N) (CC)				True Beauty (N) (CC)		KOMO 4 News
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	410	403	54 SCR	WWE Monday Night Raw		(:15) Score Tonight		WWE Monday Night Raw (CC)				Cabby Unlimit
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	553	546	56 TRE	Comfy Couch	Rolie Polie	Max & Ruby	Babar (CC)	Backyard	Dora-Explorer	Go, Diego, Go!	Franklin	Comfy Couch
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	603	561	52 FN	Hell's Kitchen (CC)		Chef School	Chef School	Challenge (CC)		Food	Road Tasted	Hell's Kitchen
	626	547	57 COM	Air Farce	Just for Laughs (CC)		Corner Gas	The Simpsons	South Park	Zach Galifianakis: Live		Daily Show
	320	621	60 CEN	Sanctuary "Sanctuary for All"		U.S. of Tara	Secret Diary	ZOS Zone of Separation (N)		Brotherhood (CC)		Sanctuary
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	261	394	102 V	God Bless	Clergy	Poltergeist: The Legacy		Annie Hall ★★★★ (1977) Woody Allen, Diane Keaton.				Paid Program
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critics'corner

The Big Bang Theory
Interventions are usually about getting someone to stop doing something — drinking, drugging, gambling and other addictive behaviors. But in this episode, it's all about getting a behavior started. Sheldon (Jim Parsons), you see, has a fear of driving, and Leonard (Johnny Galecki) and his other friends think it's time he faced his fear and got behind the wheel. Kaley Cuoco and Simon Helberg also star in "The Euclid Alternative." 8 PM on CBS CTV

American Experience
"Thanks for winning the war for us; now get out of here." That about sums up the postwar fate of J. Robert Oppenheimer, architect of the atom bomb. He urged restraint in the use of nuclear power, which Washington didn't want to hear. Soon he found his connections to the Communist Party — his wife and brother belonged — being used against him. David Strathairn ("Good Night, and Good Luck.") portrays Oppenheimer in this new episode revisiting those days. 6, 9 PM on PBS

Two on the way

Actress Molly Ringwald, left, is preparing for double trouble — she's expecting twins, imdb.com reports. The Breakfast Club star, 40, has announced she is pregnant with a boy and a girl, according to People.com. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity Buzz

Prince dumped

ROMANCE British royal Prince Harry has been ditched by his long-term love Chelsy Davy — ending their five-year romance, imdb.com reports.

The pair parted ways following a series of tearful phone calls, according to British tabloid the News of the World.

And a source tells the publication that despite making the decision, 23-year-old Zimbabwean Davy is "distraught" at the split.

The insider adds, "She has simply had enough. They have been going through what she calls a 'rough patch' and she didn't see the point in going on.

"Their lives have been moving in different directions. Chelsy is about to embark on a career in law and being a royal girlfriend can be quite limiting."

A royal source told the tabloid the romance had simply 'run its course,' and that the pair were still on friendly terms.

The split marks an overall troublesome time for the 24-year-old prince — he was also embroiled in a race row after a film showing him referring to an Army colleague as "P-ki" was released.

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Angie's ex-bodyguard may release tell-all

SCANDAL Angelina Jolie's Oscar nomination celebrations have been marred by reports her former bodyguard is planning a tell-all which will set out to prove the actress moved in on partner Brad Pitt when he was still married to Jennifer Aniston, imdb.com reports.

Sources claim the actress, who was nominated for a best actress Academy Award on Thursday, is seeking legal counsel to block Mickey Brett's expose, which will also expose intimate details of her courtship and sex life with Pitt.

A publishing insider tells In Touch Weekly magazine, "He (Brett) knows everything about Angelina. It's going to be one of the most explosive books ever written."

Brett, who headed up the Jolie/Pitt's security detail when the couple went into hiding in Namibia before the birth of baby daughter Shiloh in 2006, was reportedly fired by Pitt last year. The insider also tells In Touch Weekly, "The (book) will include all the sordid details of how they (Pitt and Jolie) got together while Brad was still married to Jennifer Aniston."

Pitt attempted to clear up those rumours in a recent interview after Jolie revealed the couple had met and fallen in love on the set of action film Mr. & Mrs. Smith, which was made when the movie hunk was still married. He insisted there was no "dastardly affair."

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Hathaway lauds curvier figures

IMAGE Actress Anne Hathaway has championed Scarlett Johansson and Beyonce Knowles for their curvy figures, praising the pair as good role models for youngsters, imdb.com reports.

The Devil Wears Prada star has recently been lambasted for being too skinny, although the 27-year-old is adamant she is a "normal shape." And Hathaway has hailed Johansson, Knowles, and fellow actress Reese Witherspoon for projecting healthy body images in a world where super-slim is often seen as an ideal.

She says, "I don't think it's just Hollywood that gives out that message. As a society we put out these unrealistic body images to young women.

"But I'm a normal shape and Scarlett Johansson is not a skinny, skinny girl. Beyonce Knowles looks after herself and has a beautiful body. Reese Witherspoon looks great."

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Sex and the City star denies split

RUMOURS Sex and the City star Sarah Jessica Parker has dismissed rumours she is set to split from her husband Matthew Broderick, imdb.com reports.

The couple has been dogged by rumours of an impending split ever since August when American tabloid, Star, claimed Broderick, 46, had an affair with a younger woman.

And fresh speculation arose recently, with Internet gossips claiming Parker had been spotted visiting a New York realtor to prepare for moving out of the family's Manhattan home.

But Parker and Broderick have been putting on a united front, appearing in public together on Thursday night to see Broadway play, The American Plan.

And Parker brushed off the break-up rumours, telling People.com, "This is date night. It was really lovely. We don't even bother to address them (the reports)."

And when asked the best thing about life as a married couple, the actress replied; "Being married!"

The couple married in 1997 and has a four year old son, James Wilkie.

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Ramsays to renew vows

MARRIAGE TV chef Gordon Ramsay is set to renew his wedding vows — just months after allegations he cheated on his wife, imdb.com reports.

The F Word star's 12-year marriage to wife Tana was rocked in November by tabloid reports that he had a long-standing affair with "serial mistress" Sarah Symonds.

Yet Ramsay firmly denied the rumours, claiming: "It never happened. It was completely made up. She set it up to make some money." Now the couple have decided to cement their vows in London this June — and have even asked close pals David and Victoria Beckham to be witnesses at the ceremony. A source told British tabloid The People, "Gordon wants to show just how infatuated he still is with Tana."

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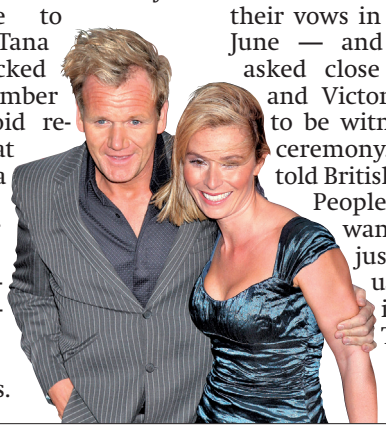

Downey Jr. loves Googling himself

GOSSIP Actor Robert Downey Jr. loves to look himself up on the Internet — so he can see what people are saying about him, imdb.com reports.

The Tropic Thunder star was quizzed by Newsweek about his online habits and confessed to "Googling" himself on the web — and finds it hilarious when he comes across chatrooms dedicated to him. He says, "Oh, I love all that s--t, personally. Sorry. I love just it. Because it's a hoot. Some people overstate their support, like they know you.

"Other people are busy doing something else and just want to go on this chat site and say some despicable character assassination, which I honestly think they kind of nailed it. I do have that shortcoming. It's really fun."

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Engagement rumours false: Gisele

ENGAGEMENT Supermodel Gisele Bundchen has dismissed reports she and American football star Tom Brady are engaged, imdb.com reports.

The pair has been subjected to repeated engagement rumours over the past month.

Separate reports alleged New England Patriots quarterback Brady had proposed on Christmas Eve and popped the question earlier this month.

But Leonardo DiCaprio's ex-girlfriend insists she has no sparkling ring to show off to pals.

She says, "I don't know how people are so creative. First they said he proposed to me in a plane. Imagine, it was Dec. 24, Christmas, we were flying to Boston, then there was some champagne and we celebrated the date.

"Now there's a new rumour that he proposed to me on last Friday (sic). I wasn't even there (with him), how can that be true?"

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Charlie's Angels back for more

PEOPLE Drew Barrymore, Lucy Liu and Cameron Diaz are set to return to the big screen as Charlie's Angels for a third film, imdb.com reports.

Six years after the sequel Charlie's Angels: Full Throttle, the trio is ready to go again.

Barrymore says, "I'm so into it... They're hard movies to make, but they're fun."

And sources tell Eonline.com that the three angels are looking to add a fourth lovely lady to the mix for their second sequel, which is set to start shooting later this year.

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Partly cloudy
1° / -1°

Tuesday
90%
5-10cm of snow
1° / 0°

Wednesday
Partly sunny
4° / 1°

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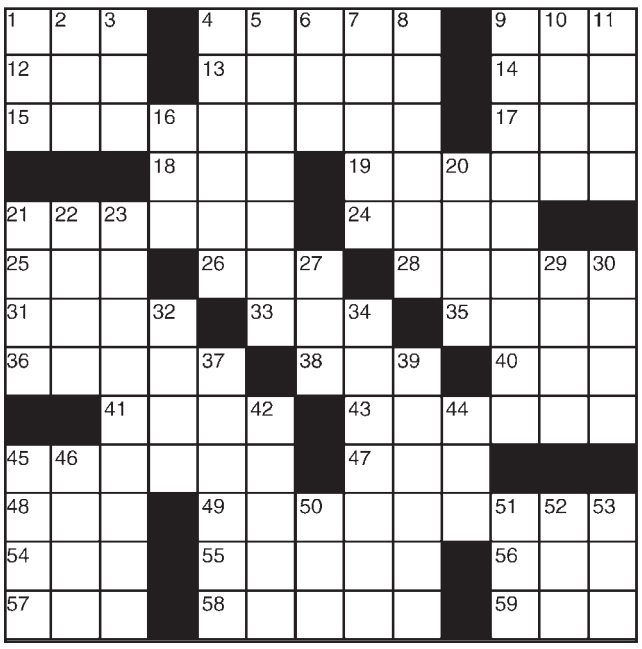

Crossword across

1 Exercise in the park
4 Duel tool
9 Method
12 Actress Gardner
13 "..., excavating for —"
14 A Gershwin brother
15 Potbelly
17 Fresh
18 Pub order
19 Greek islander
21 Moves on momentum
24 Loathe
25 Melody
26 Conk out
28 Sounds contented
31 Church furniture
33 Pompous sort
35 Golfer Aoki
36 Wields scissors
38 Snapshot
40 Old French coin
41 Memorandum
43 Second of two
45 Inn
47 Historic period
48 "That tastes awful!"
49 Wisconsin lake
54 Bikini half
55 Draw out
56 Prune
57 Stitch
58 Discourage
59 "Monty Python" opener

Crossword down

1 Pugilist's shot
2 Eggs
3 Festive
4 Went like Columbus
5 Serious forgetfulness
6 Auction action
7 Tennyson's "— Arden"
8 Swathe anew
9 Maxwell Anderson play
10 Neighborhood
11 Show boredom
16 Bankroll
20 Needle case
21 Spaces
22 Collateral option
23 "Rich Man, Poor Man" author
27 Kreskin's claim
29 Track competition
30 Acerbic
32 Dalmatian feature
34 Librarian's request
37 Intoxicated
39 Life's work
42 Skip a phoneme
44 Bill
45 Centers
46 Shrek is one
50 Enthusiast
51 Foreman foe
52 Understood
53 Harvest goddess

Sudoku

HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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Under 13 min .....Genius
13-17 min.....Scholar
17-21 min .....Smart
21-25 min .....Not bad
25+ min.....Keep practising

Metro Recipe of the Day

Arroz con Pollo

INGREDIENTS:
3 lbs (1.5 kg) chicken breasts, thighs and drumsticks
Nonstick cooking spray
1 tbsp (15 ml) vegetable oil
1 cup (250 ml) uncooked long-grain white rice
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 cups low-sodium chicken broth
1 can (14 oz/392 g) low-sodium tomatoes, undrained and cut up
1 large green pepper, chopped
1/2 cup (125 ml) chopped cooked lower-sodium ham
3/4 tsp (4 ml) hot red pepper sauce
1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt
1/4 cup (50 ml) sliced black olives

METHOD:
1. Remove and discard chicken skin. Rinse chicken; drain and pat dry. Coat Dutch oven with cooking spray. Add oil and heat over moderately high heat. Brown chicken in hot oil 10 minutes or until golden, turning occasionally. Remove chicken from Dutch oven. Add rice and garlic to Dutch oven. Cook and stir over moderate heat for 5 minutes or until rice just starts to brown.
2. Stir chicken broth, tomatoes, green pepper, ham, pepper sauce and salt into Dutch oven. Return chicken to Dutch oven. Bring to boil. Lower heat and simmer, covered, about 30 minutes or until chicken is cooked through and rice is tender. Stir in olives; heat through.

SERVES 6

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Horoscopes

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ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
A bully will force a cancellation. You'll forget all about a bad moment. Something wonderful will happen before you know it.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21
A message appears from nowhere. Give someone another chance to make you happy. Forgive yourself for having second thoughts.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21
Someone's words will replay in your mind. Relatives will have temper tantrums. Make a difference by giving an understandable message.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22
A misunderstanding can cause a break-up. Hearsay should be ignored in an unfair situation. A disturbing puzzle keeps you on your feet.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23
A girl is secretly hoarding stuff. Be cautious about giving advice to anyone. Remember to keep smiling, no matter what happens.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22
An adventure will cause distress. Focus on what you can do to find happiness. Go out of your way to avoid cranky people.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23
Look for a pattern within the pandemonium. A weak-willed boy will go home. You'll hear a sad tale about cheating.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22
A glitch causes irritability to flare up. A friend's information will be of importance. Your self-esteem is about to be increase.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21
Be tough as nails with boring people. A friend will explain about a break-up. Jumping to conclusions throws you off-balance.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20
Give someone a reason to avoid a difficult situation. A friend is sad about a revelation. A man lets go of a careless style.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18
Take the easy way out for a while. Make comments to help change a woman's mind. Get satisfaction from a new friendship.

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